(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the status of this proposal, as on date?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) The Department Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice in its Eighteenth Report on Electoral Reforms (Disqualification of persons from contesting elections on framing of charges against them for certain offences) presented to the Rajya Sabha on the 15th March, 2007 has recommended that suitable amendments may be made in the Representation of the People Act, 1951, so that a proclaimed absconder, declared under section 82 of the Criminal Procedure Code, who willfully remains absconding for a reasonable period of time such as one year prior to the date of revision of electoral rolls, may be considered for disqualification.

Suitable action on the recommendation of the Committee will be taken by the Government at an appropriate time, as part of overall process of reform of electoral laws.

Corruption in Judiciary

219. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several judges in High Courts/other courts have been found guilty of corruption;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to have introspection/review on judicial appointments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) The Supreme Court of India has informed that three cases of corruption have so far been considered by the present Chief Justice on India out of which two cases are pending for enquiry and the third case has been referred to the Government.

The judges of district and subordinate courts function under the administrative control of the State Governments/ High Courts.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Constitution Review Commission

†220. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:
SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any committee or commission was ever constituted to review the Constitution; and

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